

Stickin'

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Canada, and for his economic development in Prince Edward Island.

Over the decade he has been living his "dream job."

Wade MacLauchlan has seen many changes in UPEI, "Since 1999, UPEI's reputation and standing have been enhanced with consistent strong performances in MacLean's and other comparisons," said MacLauchlan.

"This has been further reflected in awards for faculty and students, in research growth, and in increased numbers of students coming to UPEI from across Canada, from many countries around the world, and from P.E.I."

UPEI is a small university that is expanding to greater limits everyday. UPEI according to MacLauchlan is a small university, with a big heart.

"The greatest strength of UPEI is that we know who we are - a smaller university with the advantage of scale and of a strong sense of community," he said.

UPEI has been very successful in attracting and retaining top-quality faculty and staff, and in recruiting a diverse and highly motivated population of students, said MacLauchlan.

Last year there was a record number of graduates, to walk across the stage to get a degree. UPEI has approximately 4,000 full and part-time students, as is increasing the percentage of international students to

study here. Students come from more than 50 different countries.

Wade MacLauchlan has helped develop the ever-growing campus of UPEI. There has been many new developments over the last ten years.

Some of the new facilities include: A new student center; new residence, the CARI pool and rink, a new fitness center, a new Business school and expansions to the ever popular Atlantic Vet College.

A Canada Games athletics facility is in the works, as it will be completed in 2009. New programs are being launched or expanded every day.

A Master's of Business Administration program was just launched, and there is now a new Bachelor of Integrated Studies program, for any adults who dream about going back to school.

Wade MacLauchlan is looking ahead at the bright future of UPEI. With three years left in his term, he has many goals he wants to accomplish before his term is up.

"A lot can be done in three years. We must aim for enhanced student engagement, including graduation and retention. UPEI must continue to be successful in a competitive recruitment environment.

"Our commitment to teaching and learning must remain a top priority, as our research activity and impact are enhanced."



UPEI President Wade MacLauchlan, in this photo courtesy of the UPEI website, is shown kayaking. MacLauchlan has many admirable awards, including the Order of Canada. Submitted photo

Moving In to the new rez



Students start moving into the new residence in anticipation of the new school year. Submitted photo